

DOWAGER STEPS BACK

Chinese Empress Appoints a Commission to Breathe the Public for Her.

SEE IS NOT SO ARBITRARY NOW.

New Plan Seems to Indicate Less Inclination to Run Things Herself—The News as Received in Washington Regarded as Most Important.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The following cablegram has been received at the State department from Mr. Squirers, the United States charge at Peking, dated today:

"The empress dowager has appointed a board of national administration to relieve her of her public functions. They embrace three members of the cabinet now with the empress at Sian Fu and Prince Ching, Viceroy Li and Prince Kung, who are now in Peking."

This news is regarded as of importance, indicating as it does the relinquishment by the empress dowager of the arbitrary powers she heretofore has exercised. It also is apparent that she has placed herself in a position to avoid direct responsibility to the foreigners for whatever may happen in the future and the board will have to bear the brunt of any complaint. It is felt that the appointment of this board will make it much easier for the foreign ministers to transact business with the Chinese government. The three members of the Chinese cabinet now at Sian Fu include the notorious Jung Lu, who was one of the most active in the outbreak against the foreigners last summer. One of the other members of this council is 70 years old and is said to be greatly debilitated. The third member has been at least lukewarm toward foreign interests. The choice of these three is looked upon as likely to complicate the good which Li Hung Chang and the others may accomplish.

The foreign establishments here are receiving a number of important dispatches relative to the question of indemnity and how it shall be guaranteed, by a Chinese loan or to each of the powers individually.

One of the dispatches coming through an European foreign office says that Sir Robert Hart has concluded that China can pay a total of \$200,000,000, and the impression is conveyed that this will be the amount agreed upon, the various claims being scaled down to this limit. Another dispatch comes from one of the most prominent Chinese officials and from a plenipotentiary in the peace negotiations. He makes a suggestion that when the amount of indemnity is agreed upon it will be greatly to the interests of China as well as to the powers if the amount payable to each power can be made by installments and not by a gross payment outright. In that case China would not be compelled to negotiate a large loan. The view prevails among officials that while this proposition is fair it is not practicable and there is little idea that it will be favorably entertained.

Other dispatches which have passed within the last few days revive the idea of having The Hague tribunal administer the indemnities after the total is once agreed upon.

GRASPS BEAUMONT FIELD.

Standard Oil Company Has New Texas Fields Nailed In

BEAUMONT, Tex., April 27.—The Beaumont Oil exchange today posted the statement that the Standard Oil company had purchased the railroad terminals, wharves and shipping facilities at Port Arthur and 90,000 acres of land surrounding the port. The price was not given.

Port Arthur is the nearest deep water port to the Beaumont oil field, and by controlling this outlet the Standard Oil company can control every barrel of oil taken from the Beaumont field. The railroads cannot compete in freight rates with pipe line and ship via Port Arthur to New Orleans and Galveston. Thus owning Port Arthur, the Standard Oil company will control even the domestic trade in crude oil.

Cannot Attend the Funeral.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26.—News of the death of Mrs. Saxton was received at the White House this afternoon. Mrs. McKinley was much attached to her aunt, but will be unable to attend the funeral, which occurs Saturday, owing to the departure of the presidential party for the western trip on Monday.

Prepare for North Pole.

HAMBURG, April 27.—Evelyn B. Baldwin, who is to lead the American (Zeigler) Arctic expedition, and who arrived here yesterday, spent the morning in shipping to Tromsø and Sanjedford supplies for the expedition. Privy Councillor Neumayr is aiding Mr. Baldwin in every possible way. He has presented him with the latest polar maps, drawn by Dr. Nansen. Later he compared notes with the members of the German expedition.

CONGER REACHES 'FRISCO.

Minister, Wife, Daughter and Miss Pierce Are Safely Over.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—Edwin H. Conger, United States minister to China, accompanied by his wife, daughter and Miss Pierce, arrived from China this afternoon on the steamer Nippon Maru.

Asked in regard to his future plans Mr. Conger said he would remain in this city until Saturday morning, when he would leave for his home in Des Moines, Ia. At the expiration of his sixty days' leave of absence he intended to return to China. He would go back sooner if anything important should come up.

When told that it was planned by the citizens of Des Moines to give him a public reception he said that although he did not care for public demonstrations he would accept a reception at Des Moines. CH belonged to the people of Des Moines. In fact, the entire people of Iowa had always been kind to him, giving him everything that he asked for, refusing him nothing. In return he had been compelled often to refuse the people of Iowa favors.

Owing to quarantine regulations and the necessity for giving personal supervision to the landing of his baggage, Mr. Conger did not reach his hotel until 6 o'clock in the evening. Mr. Conger's arrival was awaited with considerable interest, not only on account of his connection with events in China, but from a political standpoint. There was a great desire to know what position Mr. Conger would assume with regard to the coming gubernatorial nomination in Iowa.

WILL CULTIVATE SUGAR BEET.

Six Million Dollar Company Buys Large Tract of Colorado Land.

CHICAGO, April 26.—The Tribune tomorrow will say

Negotiations have been completed in Chicago for the formation of the largest beet sugar concern in the world. A company has been organized with a capital stock of \$6,000,000, to be known as the Arkansas Valley Beet and Irrigation Land company. The plant of the new company is to be located in Pröwers county, Colorado, in the famous Rocky Ford fruit district.

A number of New York capitalists, including the Oxenards, the Cuttings, the Hamiltons, the Lawsons and the Richards of the Mercantile Trust company are interested. The new concern has purchased the holdings of the Great Plains Water company, which comprises about 125,000 acres along the Arkansas river in southeastern Colorado. Colonization of the land with farmers will be undertaken by the company. Over \$2,000,000 will be expended this year on improvements.

Senators Dine With the President.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Tonight Senators Millard and Dietrich had their first taste of official life, having been guests of the president at a dinner given by the chief executive to the Cuban commission. Senator Dietrich had determined to go home this afternoon, but in view of the invitation from the president, he decided to avail himself of the opportunity and delayed his return to Nebraska until tomorrow. Senator Millard will leave tomorrow night for New York with Miss Millard en route west.

On the Hunt for Bad Butter.

DES MOINES, Ia., April 27.—Deputy Dairy Commissioner Wright returned from Afton Junction, where he went the first of the week in search of oleomargarine. It had been reported that a substitute for butter was being used in the railroad camps along the line of the "Q," where 500 men are employed in straightening track. Mr. Wright had a search warrant for one of the camps and examined several others, but could find no oleomargarine, although the butter used was of the poorest order.

Shingle King Buys a Mine.

PRESOTT, A. T., April 25.—E. W. Wells and W. C. Parsons of Prescott and Hugh McCrum of San Francisco have sold the McCable mine to a syndicate of Chicago capitalists, headed by Frank Jager, the shingle king of that city. The price is said to be about \$600,000.

On Verge of a Collapse.

CHICAGO, April 26.—A special to the Record-Herald from Honolulu, April 19, says Governor Dole is a very sick man. He has been confined to his house for several days and only the most intimate friends have been allowed to see him.

Want a Foreclosure Sale.

ST. LOUIS, April 26.—Judge Thayer of the United States circuit court heard arguments today in the case of the Guaranty Trust company of New York, Julius S. Walsh, trustee, and others, against the Omaha & St. Louis Railroad company. The plaintiffs represent the bondholders and are seeking to have the property of the defendant sold under foreclosure proceedings. After hearing arguments Judge Thayer will decide the case.

CUDAHY TELLS STORY

Father of Kidnaped Boy Gives Testimony in Criminal Court.

REITERATES FORMER STATEMENTS

The Trial of the Alleged Kidnapers Draws a Great Throng—The Youthful Victim Takes the Stand and Relates His Experience.

OMAHA, Neb., April 25.—Edward A. Cudahy, sr., and Edward A. Cudahy, jr., father and son, testified at the trial of James Callahan yesterday. The story of the kidnaping and the subsequent payment of the \$25,000 ransom, as related by Mr. Cudahy, sr., was a repetition of the reports of the affair as published at the time in the news columns of the Bee. The testimony of the boy, giving the details of his abduction and imprisonment, also tallied with the reports heretofore published in this newspaper. In no detail did the evidence given by Mr. Cudahy and his son differ with the authentic and exclusive stories of the crime printed.

Yesterday forenoon was taken up with the opening statements of counsel and a visit by the jury to the scene of the crime, and in the afternoon the taking of testimony began.

Young Cudahy was placed on the witness stand at 4 o'clock and when court adjourned at 5:30 o'clock his evidence had not reached that point where he is expected to positively identify Callahan as one of the kidnapers. It is apparent that the prosecution is leading up to an identification, for the boy was made to relate in detail the numerous conversations he had with his guard during the twenty-eight hours he was confined in the Melrose Hill house. It is the intention, evidently, to show that young Cudahy had become sufficiently familiar with the voice and the peculiarities in speech of his captor and guard to recognize the same when heard by him at some future time. As previously published, after Callahan was arrested the Cudahy boy was given an opportunity to hear a conversation between him and Chief Donahue in the latter's office, after which he declared that Callahan's voice and peculiarities of speech were the same as those of his former guard. It is therefore predicted that the prosecution will today ask young Cudahy to identify Callahan by his voice and articulation.

So far as given the boy's testimony describes his captor and guard as a dark man with a stubby black moustache and black hair. This description may be fitted to Callahan, although it is extremely meager and Callahan's moustache at this time is long enough to support a small curl at each end.

When the trial was resumed in the morning the court room was crowded with spectators, public interest having been revived by the announcement that the jury had been completed and the relation of the story of the kidnaping would begin. Edward A. Cudahy and the son or whose release he paid the \$25,000 ransom were in court, occupying seats directly behind those of County Attorney Shields and General Cowin. Callahan appeared as bright and cheerful as he was the day before and displayed keen interest in all the proceedings.

PLACED IN MARBLE CRYPT.

Remains of Lincoln and Other Members of His Family Moved.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 25.—Unostentatiously and without any ceremony, the remains of Abraham Lincoln and the other members of his family, which, since March 10, 1900, when the work of rebuilding the Lincoln monument commenced, have been reposing in a temporary stone crypt in the monument which has been rebuilt by the state of Illinois at a cost of \$100,000, were removed to the newly erected marble sarcophagus in the crypt of the monument.

Mosquito Fleet at Cavite.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—A cablegram received at the navy department today announced the arrival of the Mosquito fleet at Cavite, Philippine islands. The four vessels of this little fleet will be utilized in patrolling the coasts of Luzon and the lower islands of the Philippine group.

Women May Vote.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 25.—Governor Odell today signed the bill authorizing women taxpayers in villages and towns to vote on propositions to expend money for public purposes.

Conger Isn't Through Yet.

VANCOUVER, April 25.—The Shanghai Mercury publishes a statement, ostensibly from a confidential friend of Minister Conger, explaining that his application for leave was due to the fact that, having spent the last three years in Peking, he desired a furlough at this time. It is added that Mr. Conger would feel obliged to decline the nomination for governor of Iowa because he had no desire to retire permanently from the work.

SPRING CATARRH MAKES PEOPLE WEAK AND NERVOUS



MISS ANNA BRYAN OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

Miss Anna Bryan, a favorite cousin of William Jennings Bryan, is well known socially in Washington, D. C., where she has a host of friends. Miss Bryan recently studied music at Fairmount Seminary, of Washington, D. C. In a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, she says:

1459 Florida Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

Gentlemen—At the solicitation of a friend I began some weeks ago to take your Peruna and I now feel like a new person. I take pleasure in recommending it to all who want a good tonic and a permanent cure for catarrh."—Anna Bryan.

MRS. BERTHA KOCKLER, 177 Guinett street, Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "Peruna and Manalin have done me very great service, and I recommend them with pleasure to all who suffer with nervous catarrh of the stomach as I did. Should such a disease ever attack me again I shall immediately take Peruna. I now feel very well and have a good appetite all the time. I have gained in weight. I recommended Peruna to an acquaintance of ours and he is making remarkable progress. I looked so badly for a time before I began your medicine, that now when I meet some of my friends they say: 'I was very much worried about you, but now you are looking so well.' I shall always keep Peruna and Manalin in the house as family medicines."—Mrs. Bertha Kockler.

People who can't sing a little bit usually sing at it a lot. Blessings will be poured in only as you pour them out. The man who revolves around himself will never get anywhere.



MAM-M-MA!! DON'T YOU HEAR BABY CRY?

Do you forget that summer's coming with all its dangers to the little ones—all troubles bred in the bowels.

The summer's heat kills babies and little children because their little insides are not in good, clean, strong condition.

Winter has filled the system with bile. Belching, vomiting up of sour food, rash, flushed skin, colic, restlessness, diarrhoea or constipation, all testify that the bowels are out of order.

If you want the little ones to face the coming dangers without anxious fear for their lives, see that the baby's bowels are gently, soothingly, but positively cleaned out in the spring time, and made strong and healthy before hot weather sets in.

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